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| \$ ` | Advisory Action | 09/655,091 | Meseth / | | | | | | |
| | - Advisory Action | Examiner Jack Keith | | Art Unit 3641 | | | | | |
| The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address | | | | | | | | | |
| THE REPLY FILED <u>Dec 26, 2002</u> FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE. Therefore, further action by the applicant is required to avoid the abandonment of this application. A proper reply to a final rejection under 37 CFR 1.113 may only be either: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114. | | | | | | | | | |
| THE PERIOD FOR REPLY [check only a) or b)] | | | | | | | | | |
| a) | The period for reply expires months from the | ne mailing date of the fina | I rejection. | | | | | | |
| b) The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection. ONLY CHECK THIS BOX WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP 706.07(f). | | | | | | | | | |
| Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b). | | | | | | | | | |
| 1.□ | | | | | | | | | |
| 2. The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered because: | | | | | | | | | |
| (a) they raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below); | | | | | | | | | |
| | they raise the issue of new matter (see NOTE be | | ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, | | | | | | |
| (c) they are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the | | | | | | | | | |
| | issues for appeal; and/or | | | - | | | | | |
| (d) \square they present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims. | | | | | | | | | |
| ١ | NOTE: | | | | | | | | |
| 3. 🗆 | Applicant's reply has overcome the following reject | ion(s): | | | | | | | |
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| 4. | Newly proposed or amended claim(s) a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the new separate. | on-allowable claim(s). | wou | uld be allowable | if submitted in | | | | |
| 5. 🛭 | The a) \square affidavit, b) \square exhibit, or c) \boxtimes request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: It appears applicant arguments stem from the drain pipe (22) of applicant's invention being separate and not in connection to the condenser. As set forth previously by the examiner such would have been obvious to (see below) | | | | | | | | |
| 6. 🗆 | The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered because it is not directed SOLELY to issues which were newly raised by the Examiner in the final rejection. | | | | | | | | |
| 7. 🛭 | For purposes of Appeal, the proposed amendment(s) a) \boxtimes will not be entered or b) \square will be entered and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended. | | | | | | | | |
| | The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows: | | | | | | | | |
| | Claim(s) allowed: | | | | | | | | |
| | Claim(s) objected to: | | | | | | | | |
| | Claim(s) rejected: <u>1-8</u> | | | Marles 1. | yordan | | | | |
| | Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: 9-14 | | 0//- | CHARLES T | LICRIDAN | | | | |
| 8. ⊔ | The proposed drawing correction filed on | is a)∐ ap | proved SU | RATHRIS BLANCE | DNBy EKAIEKAEPper. | | | | |

manner his invention operates. In regard to the rejection the prior art need only be CAPABLE OF SUCH.

Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s).

10. Other: one having ordinary skill in the art. Note that applicant argues how and in what

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